

HB 511 -- ANNEXATION

SPONSOR: Mathews

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with Amendments" by the Standing Committee on Local Government by a vote of 7 to 2. Voted "Do Pass" by the Select Committee on State and Local Governments by a vote of 7 to 0.

This bill exempts certain voluntary annexations from boundary commission review in St. Louis County. The annexation is not prohibited by the existence of an established unincorporated area.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill will solve a long-standing annexation issue in the City of Eureka, the bill language has been negotiated and agreed upon by the city and the county, and it will save money by avoiding litigation.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Mathews and City of Eureka.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.